

The Task Force has not indicated any number of such institutions, students' intake therein or estimated per student expenditure.

Referring Patients by AMAs to Hospitals

***50. SHRI ANIL SHARMA:** Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether AMAs appointed by the Central Government/Ministries/Departments in Gurgaon/Faridabad/Ghaziabad for their employees can directly refer patients to referral hospitals/specialists;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the office order in this regard, if any; and
- (c) if not, the circumstances under which some Faridabad and Ghaziabad based AMAs are referring cases direct to Escorts Research Hospital, Faridabad and Narendra Mohan Hospital respectively?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (c) The Authorised Medical Attendants (AMAs) appointed by the Central Government Ministries/Departments for their employees residing in Ghaziabad/Faridabad/Gurgaon can refer the patients to the nearest specialists or summon a specialist if the patient is so ill to travel, to attend to the patient if the AMA is of the opinion that the case of the patient is of such serious or of special nature as to require medical attendance by some person other than himself. Such Government servants are also entitled to treatment in recognised Hospital at or near the place where he falls ill, if in the opinion of the AMA such treatment is necessary. For this purpose, the Government also recognizes the hospitals under the CS(MA) Rules. The Escorts Research Hospital, Faridabad and Narendra Mohan Hospital, are hospitals which are recognized for the purpose of treatment/diagnostic purpose under CS(MA) Rules.